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Kevin Guidry  
723 Broad Street  
Lake Charles, Louisiana 70601

Re: **Louisiana Board of Ethics**  
**Docket No. 2021-539**

Dear Mr. Guidry,

The Louisiana Board of Ethics, at its meeting on September 3, 2021, considered your request for an advisory opinion as to whether the Code of Governmental Ethics ("Code") would prohibit you from serving on the Lake Charles Harbor & Terminal District Board of Commissioners ("Port Commission").

#### **FACTS PROVIDED**

You were previously an elected member of the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury, with your term ending in December 2019. Additionally, you were previously employed by L'auberge Du Lac Hotel and Casino Resort ("L'auberge Resort") from July 2008 until August 2020.

You have been nominated by the City of Lake Charles to serve as a member of the Port Commission. L'auberge Resort has a lease agreement with the Port Commission. During your employment, you were not involved in any of the lease negotiations between the Port Commission and L'auberge Resort.

You ask whether your prior employment with L'auberge Resorts creates a conflict of interest if you serve as a member of the Port Commission.

#### **CONCLUSION**

The Board concluded, and instructed me to inform you, that the Code would not prohibit you from serving on the Port Commission, since you are no longer employed by L'auberge Resort.

This advisory opinion is based solely on the facts as set forth herein. Changes to the facts as presented may result in a different application of the provisions of the Code of Governmental Ethics. Please note that the Board issues no opinion as to past conduct and that the Board's expressed opinion is limited to an examination of the Code of Governmental Ethics, the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act, the Lobbyist Disclosure Acts, and the conflict of interest provisions in the gaming laws.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (800)842-6630 or (225)219-5600.

Sincerely,

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS**

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David M. Bordelon  
For the Board

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